GOLD BRAID AND BUTTONS.

ror. A menu, "toast," sketches, programm

eanything desired—can be ergraved on these by making the impress on one sheet of the porcelain finished paper as above di-rected, or simply with a hard, finely pointed pencil, and the effect is unique and pleas-ing.

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD IDEAS.

NEXT SUMMER'S WAISTS.

They Will Never Become an Unknown

Quantity in Feminine Wardrobe.

become an unknown quantity in the femi-

WHY HAM WAS TOUGH.

What One Woman Did Not Know

Included in the inducements necessary to

sharp competition in trade are the graces

part of the salesman. This was illustrated

out the canvas.

It is difficult at times to catch a cus-

APPROPRIATE PRESENTS.

Bath Wraps Containing Broad Collars

Are Indispensable. Many are the jokes made upon "the

woman's" purchase of articles of dress for "the man," but she "laughs best who

aughs last," and if she will give to the

gratified smile.

A bath wrap is an indispensable article and is likely to need renewal about this

AN ATTRACTIVE PINCUSHION.

one More Beautiful Than Round One -Resembles Irish Lace Patterns.

Among the many charming devices for

pincushions none are more attractive than

the round ones, covered with some plain,

soft slik, with a puff of the silk around

soft slik, with a puff of the slik around the side. Over the top and bottom are laced across the puff, either onintily embroidered round pisces of white linen or of lace. One of the pretitest is made with lace covers, crocheted in a pattern that reminds one of the Hish lace patterns. The thread used for the purposed is No. 189. The noft puff of slik puffs out between the lacings, which are made at every broad scallop. When linen is used the edges are scalloped and buttonhole stitched, and cyelets are worked in each broad scallop for the ribbon or silk cord. Sometimes no cover is used for the bottom, the top being laced and tacked at the base of the push and giving the same effect on the top.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

majority of men demand more love

of long suffering and great patience on the

About Cooking.

For the Convenience

Of those who are unable to do their buying earlier,

Open To-Day and Monday Until 9 P. M.,

Close Tuesday, the 24th, at 6:30 p. m.,

In order that our employes, who have worked early and late this week, may spend Christmas Eve in their own homes.

Simmons Hardware C

Broadway & St. Charles

SANTA CLAUS WILL

VISIT WHITE HOUSE.

Roosevelt Children Will Hang Up

Their Stockings and a Great

Day Is Anticipated.

Washington, Dec. 29.-Young Theodore

Roosevelt, Jr., will arrive in Washington

Saturday and complete the family circle at

the White House. He will not accompany

the younger children on their cruise on the

Dolphin, Young Theodore has some reputa-

tion as a hunter, and after the Christman

celebration will put out for the widls of

Virginia to prove his prowess. He will be accompanied by Doctor Rixey, and, if the

President can find time, he will be one of

the party, and instruct his son in the craft

The deep interest in the plans of th

morning, when the President, Mrs. Roose-

than 200 presents from relatives alone.

After the President and his family view

dinner at 5 in the afternoon. In the even

tree will be lighted. The President intend

Santa Claus's stock will be for Mrs. Roose

for \$25,000.

Miss Queenie Barker, a young business woman, with an office with her brother in

the Mermod & Jaccard building, on Fri-

day morning of last week asked the Missis-

sippl Valley Trust Company for a New

York exchange draft for \$25, and was given

what her brother discovered three days later to be a draft for \$25,000.

Good servants are obtained through Republic Want Ade. Twenty-one words or less, 5c. All druggists take them at this rate.

COCK FIGHT CARNIVAL A JOKE.

Interior Department So Regards

Story From Hot Springs, Ark.

Washington, Dec. 29.-The announcement

is made at the Interior Department that the reported festival of cock fights slated

to take place on the Hot Springs reserva-

tion in Arkansas is a canard.

The matter was called to the attention of

Secretary Hitchcock by T. A. Abbott, Sec-

Secretary Hitchcock by T. A. Abbott, Secretary of the Minnesota Society for the Prevention of Crucky to Animals. It was stated that the "cocking festival" would last for thirty days from January 1 and that the birds of Texas would be pitted against the world. It was further represented that bets aggregating \$30,000 had been placed, and that the excitement among those interested in game birds was at fever heat. Department officials believe that the announcement of the festival was the work of a practical joker, as an investigation by

a practical joker, as an investigation by Government officials at Hot Springs has de-veloped that nothing is known of the affair at that place.

MY CHRISTMAS GIFT.

You've strewn your bounty right and left, From grandsire to the baby. Now can't you give me something, too?" And Dolly said: "Well, maybe."

And then she asked me what I wished;
It must not be expensive.
I hastened to assure her she
Need not be apprehensive.
'Twas not on sale, hung not on trees,
Nor would it fit a stocking.
I bent and whispered in her ear,
And Dolly said: "Just shocking!"

"Tis hard," I said, as Dolly smiled A Merry Christmas greeting, "That I can only gain a gift By humblest of entreating.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

to play Santa Claus.

vidual gifts.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

of Nimrod.

AMERICAN BANKERS INVADE THE ORIENT.

Definite Plans for Establishment of Branches of New York Concerns at Shanghai and Manila.

New York, Dec. 20.-Three distinct movements are at the moment under way, having in view the establishment of Ameri-can banking facilities in the Orient, says the Journal of Commerce. These include the establishment of branches at Shanghal and Manila by the Guaranty Trust Company, the establishment of a bank particu-larly organized for Oriental business by a syndicate of which Edward H. Cragin is the head, and the establishment by a New York national bank of a branch at Manila as soon as suitable legislation can be se-

Vice President Turnbull of the Guaranty Trust Company and Mr. Wise, one of the London managers of the company, sailed from San Francisco recently for the purfrom San Francisco recently for the pur-pose of establishing branches of the com-pany at Shanghai and Manila. It is not the intention to capitalize branches, but to conduct them as branches pure and simple. Business will be begun as soon as possible after the turn of the year, and the com-pany has given the authorities at Wash-ington such assurances of its responsibility that it will, it is understood, receive on be-half of the Government the first install-ment of the Chinese indemnity, and will in time become custodian in whole or in part time become custodian in whole or in part of the civil and military funds at Mania.

FLORIDA On the Dixie Flyer.

Through sleeping cars leave every day via Nashville, Chattanooga and Atlanta, to Jacksonville, at which point direct connection is made for St. Augustine, Tampa and all points in Middle and Southern Florida. Information and tickets at Illinois Central City Ticket Office, No. 305 North Broadway.

REFUSED TO LET SHERIFF IN. Judge Wood Fined Factory Foreman for Contempt.

s Unrue, foreman at the Brown To bacco Company, was arraigned before Judge Wood yesterday morning on the charge of Deputy Sheriff into the factory to serve a supposen upon a witness who was wanted in the Criminal Court. Unrue said that there was an order in the factory to the effect that no one—not even Deputy Sheriffs—was to be allowed inside the building.

Judge Wood said he did not care what the rules of the factory were, that in the fature Deputy Sheriffs must have the right to serve their legal papers there, or he would bring in all of the managers of the concern and commit them to jail for contempt. Judge Wood reminded Unrue that in refunding a deputy the right to serve the papers in a felony case he was guilty of a pt of court for refusing to let a

apers in a felony case he was guilty of a sony himself, and might be sent to the enitentiary.

Unrue promised to allow the deputies free coses in the future, and he escaped with a face of 8.50. the cost of the attachment which was served on him.

TAX OFFICE EXTENDS HOURS

Collector Will Receive Money Later Than Usual on Saturday.

tor of the Revenue Hammer has de-

cided to keep his office open to-day and mext Saturday until 5 p. m. All delinquent taxes must be paid by the

All delinquent taxes must be paid by the first of the year. After that date a penalty of I per cent per month will be assessed attainst every unpaid bill.

Mr. Hammer believes that it will be an accommodation to taxpayers to liquidate accounts on Saturday afternoon, so he will been the office open until 5 o'clock, four hours longer than the usual hour for closing. Many persons have not the time to come to town more than once a week, which generally is Saturday, and these citizens will find Mr. Hammer's arrangement convenient.

More Beautiful Than Ever, Plorida, the land of Palms and Oranges. Resched easily and comfortably by the DIXIE FLXER. Through sleeping cars daily via the Illinois Central.

ARRESTED ONE OF THE POSSE. Polly Carlisle, Searching for Rob-

ber, Is Himself Held.

Springdale, Ark., Dec. 20.—Interesting de ats have arisen in connection with the sensational robbery of the Bank of

Springdale here yesterday, particulars of which appeared in The Republic.

While the posse was searching the neighborhood where the robber disappeared, it was joined by Polly Carlisle, a young man who resides at Fayotteville. Later he went to Eventuallie.

overcost worn by the robber was d to-day, in the peckets of which were the His revelver was also found near by, total amount of money secured by obbber was \$5,515, and of this \$2,485 has recovered.

In Florida this year than any year since the memorable frost. Through sleeping cars from St. Louis daily via illinois Central—the route of the DIXIE FLYER.

REDUCE PRICE OF WHITE LEAD.

National Lead Company Said to Be Heavy Losers by This Cut.

FUBLIC SPECIAL. Mational Lead Company met to-day and de-caled on a % cent reduction on white lead. making the price 6 cents per pound. This action naturally followed the recent cut of & cent per pound in the price of pig lead made by the American Smelting and Refin-

or Company. In trade circles it was stated by well in In trade circles it was stated by wen in-formed parties that the reduction in pig-led caused a heavy loss to the National lead Company, on account of the fact that the nature of its business requires it to carry a ten months supply on hand. The company's loss is estimated at about \$40,000.

But soon she said she'd give it thought;
Then, seeming to ignore it,
She wandered to a window seat—
Fair Fate' the green hung o'er it!
Her twinkling eye gave courage, for
A deed so bold, so daring:
I bent and took the gift I craved,
And Dolly laughed—not caring!
—The Home Magnaine. M SLEEPERS ST. LOUIS TO NEW ORLEANS. Leaving St. Louis at \$23 p. m. daily. SeIf you want to buy or sell machinery, read
The Republic "Machinery" column to-morThe Republic "Machinery" column to-morTow. All dealers use The Republic's "Want"
Pages.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING IS NOW AT ITS HEIGHT.

A month or six weeks before Christmas one takes numberless oaths that this year economy must rule; that no charges are to be made, and the list of gift receivers must be cut down. But when confronted with the exquisite goods so skillfully displayed in the shops, pouf! go the good resolutions, and once more accounts are run up on the wrong side of the books.

Men have begun to shop-a sure sign that Christmas is near. They hang over the jewelry and leather goods counter, looking troubled and vexed. They gaze wistfully at the bewildering array of little boxes and bags made of satin and linen and beaded silk. They fumble conscientiously at belt clasps and ask the patient saleswoman to put the lorguette chain about her neck or to stick the comb in her hair, so that they

may get an idea of the effect.

The man who can plunge into a lingerie shop and choose slik petticoats, dainty dressing sacques, and other frilly things dear to the heart of woman, is a tacky being. He is sure of pleasing, and equally certain that his womankind will call his gift useful.

tain that his womankind will call his girt useful.

So the Christmas rush is on us, and the department stores are really too crowded for the comfort of the shopper, or the peace of mind of the clerk. More or less patient men stand in silent, unsociable groups of one in the vestibule of the big stores, like footmen outside where a "function" is in progress. These men are as trustworthy signs of the senson as the traditional ground hog and the more poetle snowdrop.

The patience with which these men stand and look glum would be pathetic if it were not funny. They do not appear to take any interest in the passing show. Waiting women look anxiously, amused or bored. But the masculine contingents wear an expression of funereal gravity. They don't even seem to take pleasure in their martyrdom as a real martyr should. But they succeed in amusing beyond measure the more frivolous of the maidens who pass in and out of the big shops all day.

TO PACK A TRUNK.

TO PACK A TRUNK. Firmness and Smoothness Important

Features and Everything Should Be Folded in Layers. In packing a trunk place all books, boots and other heavy articles at the bottom, fill up all corners and crannies with stockings, vests and such uncrushable articles. Re-

vests and such uncrushable articles. Remember that the good packer packs tightly for thus breakage and creasing are avoided.

The secret of good packing is firmless and rmoothness, and to attain that everything should be put in the trunk in layers. Before putting in the dresses have a firm layer of undergarments, and then proceed with the thickest and heaviest of your skirts, says Home Notes.

The skirts should be folded as nearly as possible in the folds they take in wear. See that you lay the skirts alternately in different directions, so that if the waistband on one is to the left side of the trunk the waist band of the next is at the right side, for thus the level will be preserved.

Between dark and light dresses place a towel to prevent the former soiling the latter.

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For "golf balls," pick over one-half a pound of first and remove the stems. Stone Roosevelt children for Christmas has appealed to the human nature of the President and Mrs. . Roosevelt. Therefore, they permitted to-day the publication of their tentative programme. Kermit, Ethel and Archibald are known to harbor ingenious schemes to anticipate the surprises Santa Claus has in store, and the President and Mrs. Roosevelt are equally determined that

ment.

For "golf balls." pick over one-half a pound of figs, and remove the stems. Stone one-half pound of dates and force both through a meat chopper, with one-half pound of nut meats. Moisten with cream, form into balls and roll in confectioner's sugar; roll some also in shredded cocoanut. These may be shaped with butter-ball paddles, making lines to represent the golf ball. none shall have an unfair advantage. The youngsters will, therefore, be carefully ter.
Fold bodices as far as can be in the lines which they take upon the figure, put stiff, lightly croshed paper into the sleeves, and also into bows and puffings to prevent their being creased, and then pack as tightly as convenient. When taken out of the trunk they will be found uninjured. guarded in the nursery until about 7 in the velt and all the family will proceed to the sitting-room to investigate their stockings,



Bank Clerk Makes \$25 Draft Out BOLERO OF POINT D'ARABE LACE. BOLERO OF POINT D'ARABE LACE.

For theater wear the waist has become popular. The one illustrated has a lace bolero. Then there is another of black French gauze, covered with silk corded design. This evening garment is one of the best black models. The tucked front is slightly pouched and the transparent yoke and sleeves are formed of a medallion design of black lace. The lining of the bodice can be made of any light color of silk, instead of black, if preferred, and, showing through the medallions, has a charming effect. The sleeves are unlined, unless otherwise ordered, and the price includes a tucked-shaped belt, with paste buttons at back and fastening in front with small buckle. later to be a draft for \$25,000.

The young woman and her brother, Harold Barker, are in the carpet business, and the draft was secured to send to a salesman in Illinois. Neither Miss Barker nor her brother looked at the amount written on the draft when first received, but the latter took possession of it and carried it in his pocketbook until the discovery.

The draft was presented at several banking institutions just to see if it was good, and it was found all right. Then Miss Barker roshed with the draft to the Mississippl Valley Trust Company. The cashier and the clerk who made it out were as dumbfounded as the young business firm was to discover the amount of the draft, which was comparatively a small fortune. Miss Barker was thanked for returning what might have proven a costly oversight to the trust company.

EVENING WEDDINGS PROPOSED

Night Ceremonies Are Now Favored by Influential Society Folks.

It is not often that a wedding breakfast is eaten at the proper breakfast hour. ime, but on the occasion of the marriage f Miss Mary Tarleton, daughter of the late

of Miss Mary Tarleton, daughter of the late Admiral Sir John Tarleton, K. C. B., to the Reverend Roland Allen the wedding breakfast was being consumed at an hour when most society people are in bed. Consequently, there was not a very large attendance at St. Peter's, Eaton square, when the bride entered the church at 8 o'clock, says Home Chat.

Evening weddings are now wanted by some influential society folk, who have already promoted a movement with a view of amending the marriage law so that it will be possible to hold the marriage ceremony in the evening. If this movement meets with success, we may presently see churches filled with folk in evening dress. This would not exactly be a novelty, however, for one of the most fashionable This would not exactly be a noverty, now-ever, for one of the most fashionable preachers in the West End has for some time held special Sunday services to which ladies and gentlemen in evening dress are invited to attend immediately after leaving the dinner table.

STYLISH GOLF VEST.

New Mode Has Completely Supplemented the Hideous Garment Known as the Sweater. That was a very clever person who original nated the idea of the golf vest for girls for it has completely side tracked the hidcous garment known as the sweater, which was not only awkward to put on, but destroyed every graceful line or curve that the fair wearer might possess. It was only the bravest of feminine athletic enthusiasts who had the courage to don the homely affair. But, this swagger bit of wearing apparel is exceedingly neat and trim looking, as it is made of Jersey and fits closely to the figure. The golf girl can wear something that will keep her comfortable while playing, and add to her attractiveness as well. The golf vests come in a variety of colors, but red or red and white, black and white, and checked green and white are the favorites. Some have sleeves of the jersey material, while others are made to suit those who do not fancy the woolen sleeves, yet feel the necessity of something with a silken sleeve added and all the trimmings of the silk. stroyed every graceful line or curve that

silken sleeve added and all the trimmings of the silk.

CHOCOLATE TINT PROGRAMMES.

Any Lettering Desired May Be Engraved on Sheets of Porcelain Finished Paper.

"Chocolate paper," or "paper chocolate"—something exquisitely delicious, can be made in the following way: Place a sheet of the porcelain finished paper, glazed side up, on a marble slab; melt some sweet chocolate, and when about blood warm pour thinly over the paper. Place another sheet, glazed side down, over this while still soft. Put a small marble slab or anything heavy, with perfectly smooth surface over this, and allow it to remain until perfectly cool. Then remove, peel off papers and there will be found a sheet of chocolate this as cardboard and polished like a mirting and the side of the porcelain finished paper. Place another sheet, glazed side down, over this while still soft. Put a small marble slab or anything heavy, with perfectly smooth surface over this, and allow it to remain until perfectly cool. Then remove, peel off papers and there will be found a sheet of chocolate thin as cardboard and polished like a mirting and the proposed perfectly advice to women.

Some people are very interesting in the first interview; after that they become extended the procedure.

The majority of men demand more love than they deserve.

A young widow is an extremely delightful and they deserve.

There is only one man for the woman who is in love, and he is ideal till the prop is knocked out.

However talkative a woman may be, there are times when she can be absolutely silent, says the Philadelphia Inquirer.

A woman generally submits to the yoke of opinion, but a man rebels.

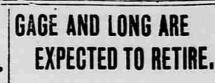
Nothing quickens the perceptions like genuine affection.

Crusty old bacheiors say that love is the most malignant form of heart disease.

There are certain men who are almost in love, and he is ideal till the prop is knocked out.

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Former Has Asked the President to Be Relieved by Early Spring at the Latest.

LEAVES FOR PERSONAL REASON

Has Several Flattering Offers From Financial Institutions-Secretary of the Navy May Be Forced Out.

The Republic Bureau, 14th St. and Pennsylvania Ave Washington, Dec. 20. Secretary Gage told the President this morning that he would like to retire from the Cabinet inside of two months, or by early spring at the

Mr. Gage said after the Cabinet meet

"I have not formally tendered my resignation. I do not like to discuss events before they happen. I'll not talk about the likeli-TICHU OF IVORY CHIFFON: POMPON ON SHOULDERS AND WAIST; COL-LAR OF STITCHED IVORY SATIN, hood of my resigning or my not resigning. I will say that the relations between the President and myself are cordial indeed GOLD BRAID AND BUTTONS.

For the home dinner nothing is prettler than the ivory chiffon waist shown here. For a novelty there is an artistic handker-chief design with tacked collar. The small puffs of sieeves and the full front are of accordion-pleated chiffon of white or grass lawn color. The yoke is of transparent lace, finished with strappings of black ribbon velvet. Turquoise and salmon, heliotrope and green, navy and white, black and white, trauve, pale blue, apple green, and purple are some of the combinations seen. I'd do anything, almost, that the President would ask me to do, and he would do almost anything that I'd ask him; therefore, the stories of friction between us are foolish in the extreme." It can be stated that Mr. Gage's resigna-

tion will be formally handed to the President as soon as the latter makes up his mind about the successor for the Treasury

The Treasury Department in many respects is the most important department, and the President will undoubtedly weigh his possible appointees before picking out man to step into Mr. Gage's place. Mr. Gage's intimation to the President that he wishes to resign at a date possibly several months in the future is made for the purpose of giving the President ample time to select a new Secretary. Has Several Finttering Offers.

The effect of the resignation of Secretary Gage will probably be felt in every corner of the country. It is likely that all the assistant secretaries-Ailes, Spalding and Taylor-will be forced to retire with the head of the department. Many of the bureau chiefs will be likely to follow. Among these may be mentioned the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the customs service, the revenue cutter service, internal revenue service, Architect's office, Mint Bureau, Treasurer of the United States, Coast and Geodette Survey, Geological Survey and marine hospital service.

The prospective retirement of Mr. Gage has been widely discussed in Washington to-day, and various reasons have been assigned for it. During the past six months Mr. Gare has received several flattering offers of positions of responsibility with cerancial institutions, both in New York However, it is not to be supposed for an and Chicago. That he did not leave the instant that the shirt waist proper will ever Cabinet to accept one of these offers after the death of President McKinley was due to the personal solicitations of President Roosevelt. Even then he acceded to the nine wardrobe, for in its summer guise it occupies a field all its own, and gives promise of extending that field through the winter as well, since smart dressers are picking up choice patterns in cotton tor use during the coming season, but it is in its more elaborate form that the finale President's wishes, with only the proviso that he might feel at liberty to retire later. Among the possible successors to Mr. Gage that have been mentioned are: Judge Taft, Civil Governor of the Philippines; Myron T. Herrick of Cleveland, and Gen-eral Francis V. Greene of New York.

in its more elaborate form that the is forecoid.

The vanishing point has clearly not been reached for the lovely models that are to be seen in the Pittsburg shops are much too fascinating to be passed by with a single glance, and the great demand for them is strangely at variance with all hints as to their waning popularity. So it would seem that, in spite of all efforts to the contrary, the ornamental as well as the useful shirt waist refuses to be ousted. Long's Retirement Expected Next. The next resignation is expected to be that of Secretary Long, whose relations with the President, though always reported to be most cordial, are believed to be con-siderably affected by the verdict in the

Schley controversy. When the findings of the Schley court was his intention to write "appr the back of the majority report, fasten to it the report of Admiral Dewey and send the bundle over to the President in that shape. Then came the notice of a protest by Admiral Schley. This caused him to hesitate. Afterwards followed the objection of Sampson's attorneys to remarks of Admiral Dewey. Secretary Long changed his mind. He determined, so it is said, to make his indorsement a very pungent comment on the facts, the trial and the findings. Should be do this, as his friends assert he will do, it is more than probable that his relations with the President will be-come strained, and that the latter, forced

part of the salesman. This was illustrated in one of the big houses last week, when a woman returned a ham which she said she had "cooked and cooked," but which was still so tough that she could hardly cut through it. The canvas covering of the ham had not been removed. Without explanation or remonstrance, the well-trained attendant apologized for the trouble which she had been caused and promised to send another in exchange. This he did, but he saw that the next one was delivered without the canvas. by public opinion as well as his own con-victions in the matter to reply sharply to the indorsement, will take action which cannot result otherwise than in the es-trangement of the head of the Navy Department. Officers of the navy suggest that Secretary Long is likely to consult the President before making any indersement at all. They

It is difficult at times to catch a customer's point of view, and possibly if a shopper were asked to explain some of her own statements, she herself might sometimes find it difficult to do so. The other day a woman asked for bird seed, supplementing the order with the statement that she did not want the kind that she had before, because her "husband did not like it." admit however, that this would hardly r lieve the situation, since both are men of strong convictions, and that the Secretary would not likely relinquish the opportunity to express his views against Schiey, when, without such expression, his position might be misconstrued by the outside world. HAY HAS NO INTENTION TO RETIRE. selection the deep thought that it needs she may easily have the satisfaction of seeing his Christmas face illumined by a

Washington, Dec. 29.-In view of the re-peated publications of late to the effect peated publications of fate to the effect that Secretary Hay is about to retire from the Cabinet, a statement is given with full authority touching this subject, substan-tially to the effect that Secretary Hay does not now contemplate retirement from the Cabinet.

This statement applies not only to the present moment, but to that indefinite period fixed by the conclusion of the ne-gotiations necessary to the construction of

A bath wrap is an indispensable article, and is likely to need renewal about this season. Two new styles have appeared, each of which is perfect in its way. One is a mixture of cotion and slik, in combinations of yellow and white, violet and white and pink and white. An embroidered braid two inches wide decorates the front, pockets, cuffs and collar. The other is a white lamb's wool, with large spots of some color—blue, red, rose, black, olive or canary yellow. Both of these fasten with a girdle two inches wide, and are really sturning. Other styles are of white lamb's wool striped with a delicate color.

Just here it may be well to remind "the woman" that the hooded bath wraps are hopelessly behind the fashion, only broad collars being telerated by "the man" who is up to date. an isthmian canal.

Also, it is stated with equal positiveness and authority that President Roosevelt, in the strongest terms, has expressed to Mr. Hay his earnest desire that he shall remain the Cabinet, of which he forms one of in the Cannet, or which is the principal props. Thus, according to the statement, the Secretary's inclinations and the President's desires run together, and is no foundation for the reports that Secretary Hay is to leave his post.

> NOT AFRAID OF EGYPTIAN OIL. Standard Thinks It Cannot Be

> London, Dec. 20.-The discovery of pe troleum at an immence depth in Egypt, announced this morning in a dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Cairo, is not regarded seriously here.

> At the London offices of the Standard Oil Company it was stated that the existence of oil in Egypt has been known for a long time, but prior investigations have not led to the belief that it is to be obtained in

> paying quantities.
> The Standard Oil Company intends to take no new steps in consequence of the intest reports.

THROUGH SLEEPERS ST. LOUIS TO JACKSONVILLE VIA M. & O. R. R.
Leaving St. Louis at 8:2 p. m. daily. Secure reservations and excursion tickets at M. & O. office, 305 Olive street, or Union Station.

BOERS ARE TAKEN TO BERMUDA. Three Hundred Prisoners on British Transport Reach Hamilton.

Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec. 20.-The British transport Harlech Castle, has arrived here with 300 Boer prisoners from Table Bay,

The Mercantile Trust Co. Will furnish every one who necomes a de-positor to the amount of one dollar a hand-some Private Savings Bank free. Best of the High Grade **Powders**

Baking RUMFORD Powder

Always gives satisfaction Sells at a reasonable price.

CHILE CALMLY WAITS FOR DEVELOPMENTS.

News of Excitement in Argentine Does Not Move Chileans From Their Tranquillity.

GOVERNMENT ASSEMBLES NAVY

Calls In Training Ships and Merchant Steamers Suspend Voyages to Be Ready for Transport Duty.

Santiago de Chile. Dec. 29, via Galveston Senor Portels, the Argentine Minister to Chile, and Senor Yanez, the Chilean Minis-ter of Foregn Affairs, are still discussing the difficulties betwen their countries. News of the excitement in Argentine received here from Buenos Ayres has not the

slightest effect upon the Chilean people, who still take things with great coolness and tranquility. The Chilean training ship General Bamedano, which was recently in the West Indies, has been called back to Chile.

Chilean steamers have suspended their voyages to San Francisco in order to be ready for transport duty, should that be ARGENTINE WAR SPIRIT STRONG. Buenes Ayes, Dec. 2) (via Galveston).-In order to commemorate the formation of the

League of Patriots here, tens of thousands of young men paraded the streets last evening cheering for Argentine, the Argenthe army President Roca and ex-President Mitre, now president of the committee to settle the frontier dispute with Chile. The crowds of manifestants, estimated to have numbered as many as 80,000 persons. stopped and cheered before the offices of the various newspapers, where fiery ad-

dresses were made. The crowds then marched in the direction of President Roca's residence, before which the national hymn was sung. The President responded with an energetic

speech, which was enthusiastically ap-plauded.

Then for about an hour the crowds engaged in the patriotic demonstrations marched past the President's residence, us have war sooner than that." There were also some cries of "Death to the Chileans."

The Nacion, referring to the international complications, says that the Republic of Uruguay is much concerned, in view of the possibility of the conflict between Argen-tine and Chile, about her neutrality. Brazil is also said to be considering the same subject.

In this connection it is reported that

Brazil contemplates paying \$50,000,000 for the purchase of new warships, showing, it is said, that Brazil, which up to the present has succeeded in confining herself to a state of armed peace, is finally getting mixed up in the diplomatic complications, and is feeling herself compelled to guard herself against the threatened trouble be tween South American countries. Peru and Bollvia also are strengthening their armaments, and, incidentally, are ruining

Governor of the Province of Buenos Ayres have had a long conference relative to the Chileen situation.

President Roca will start on a tour of inspection of the military districts of the Argentine Republic in January, and will re-view all the troops, which will by that

time have been mobilized. To Cure Headache in 10 Minutes Take Parker's Headache Powders. They are safe and sure. All druggists. Price 18c

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Metal Firm in London, Forced to Quit Business.

Glasgow, Dec. 20.-The failure of William

BELL'S OFFER IS ACCEPTED.

lay Further Experiments.

REFUBLIC SPECIAL.
St. Johns, Newfoundland, Dec. 20.—Mr. Marconi wired yesterday to Professor Alex-ander Graham Bell, accepting provisionally the offer of his Cape Breton estate as a site for further wireless experiments, but

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White Lawn, Swiss or Cambric Very Popular With Girls.

Girls' Apron, No. 8511-Aprons in this style made of white lawn, Swiss or cambric, and prettily trimmed are much more popular with schoolelels than the sack apron with eleeves. The latter are splendid in the house for protective purposes, but not so desirable to wear away from home. As il-



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lustrated it is made of white dimity with The skirt is gathered at the upper edge and arranged on a narrow belt, which is drawn together by a sash tled in a bow

drawn together by a such tied in a bow with short loops and long ends.

The full bib is adjusted between shoulder straps, which are fastened to the belt back and front. Epaulettes which extend out over the sleeves are a pleasing addition.

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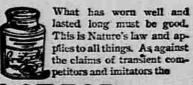
New York, Dec. 29.—In discussing from a technical standpoint Marconf's announcement of signaling across the Atlantic Ocean, the Electrical Review to-morrow will

There is no reason for accepting this "There is no reason lot accepting statement with any spirit of increduitry. The reason is that this achievement was The reason is that this achievement was to have been expected, and that records of recent successes with long distance trans-mission of signals by this particular variety of apparatus should have prepared the pub-ile filled for the reception of this further de rathed for the reception of this further intelligence. The most immediate consequence that seems to be promised from these experiments, is the possibility of keeping constantly in touch with ships on the transatiantic passage.

"A dispatch from Marcont says that signal and the control of the control of

als were received with 'certainty and dis tinctners. He says that his transmitter at Cornwall was much more powerful than that previously used by him for communi-cating 29 miles, and that he should read a paper on the subject before a scientific so

IN MEMORY OF JUDGE MADILL-The IN MEMORY OF JUDGE ADDITION IN MEMORY OF JUDGE LABORATER OF THE ST. LOUIS DAT WILL meet in coortroom No. 4 this afternoon at 3 o'clock, when the committee appointed by Judge Trayer to draft resolutions of respect in memory of Judge George A. Madnil will make its report, through Henry Hitchcock.



CAUSE OF FAILURE. William Sargeant, Head of Old

recovered, but little business was done.

Sargeant caused the collapse of the corner in Scotch pig fron warrants, after it had lasted all year. The bears hammered the market, and Scotch fell to 48s 3d cash from 55s 1041, the quotation at noon yesterday The collapse will free Scotch warrants and is expected to revive the Glasgow market after six months of partial idleness.

Marconi's Trip to England May De-

site for further wireless experiments, but from news which be has since received, he thinks that his presence is required in Lon-don immediately. He may leave here by the Allan Line steamer Sunday. Mr. Marconi is to-day visiting Quidividi.

a, village near here, to ascertain if it is suitable as a site for a station, should arrangements with the Anglo-American Telearticles of its kind.

EXTRACT OF BEEF

LIEBIG Company's places the stubborn fact that it has been before the public for over thirty years

London, Dec. 20.-The failure was an nounced on the Metal Exchange to-day of William Sargeant, head of one of the old est and best firms in the metal market, Mr Sargeant, who was chairman of the exchange, was long 2,000 tons of copper, He Habilities are variously estimated at from \$150,000 to \$300,000.

The market was demoralized on account Taken in Paying Quantities. of Mr. Sargeant's failure. Copper droppes fl and tin declined if to is. Both partially